#### A TESTIMONIAL.



"Dear Doctor: I took one bottle of your nervine, and it has made a new woman of me. DAISY UPTODATE."

### The Scheme That Failed.

"How would you like to make a little money?" asked the natty young man, addressing the weather-beaten boatman of the Bronx.

"First-rate, stranger," replied the bronze-faced Charon, making room on the rude bench under the shade tree.

"Well, there's a five-spot in it for you if you'll help me out with my little scheme," continued the young man, with a mysterious wink. "You see that girl in the plaid shirt-waist, standing up on the bank under the big beech? Well, she'll be worth \$200,000 when her old man drops off. I want to marry that girl, understand? I've been in love with her two years now, but I'm not satisfied with the progress I am making. She's a rather romantic little thing, and I guess if I could do something to make her think I was a hero that she'd just throw herself into my arms and consent to live on \$15 a week until the old gentleman coughed up his pile."

"But how kin I help yer out?" queried the puzzled boatman.

"I was just coming to that," returned the mys-

GREEN GOODS FOR GITY FOLKS.



"For the lan's sake, Uriah, what be that sign you're puttin' up on the dog's house "Jest a poetic name to impress them city people. We must work this real estate boom

In the South Sea Islands. MISSIONARY-You say this morn ing's offeratory was large. What did it amount to?

ASSISTANT-A basket of yams, twenty-three pearls and seven goodsized gold fillings.

THE FARMER AND THE FIGHT.

Cight on the Depths.

SPINKS-Some epigrammatist says that "verity is nudity." What can

JINKS-Oh, that's evident enough. It's only his way of talking about the A SISTER TO HIM.



HUGH (just rejected)-Here's a problem for you. Miss 'Jinny.

VIRGINIA (the flirtatious)-H'm? HUGH-What relation am I to all your other

## He Won the Herress.

The heiress surveyed her titled sultor with cold

"No, my lord," she said, slowly and distinctly, "I cannot be your wife."

"But why?" queried his lordship, with the persistency of a man who would fain resuscitate lying hopes.

"Because," she answered; "I do not love you, I am an American girl, and a true American girl marries for love alone. Your empty title has for me no attractions whatever. The glitter of a coronet does not dazzle my eyes, and for me there is more glery in the knowledge that it was my grandfather's business ability that won for my family its present wealth and social standing than in the ancient lineage of which you seem so

"But only think for a moment," pleaded the nobleman, "of the many desirable advantages that would be yours if you should marry me. Why, you could even live at court if you so desired."



terious young lover. "Can't you fix one of those boats of yours so that it will fill with water and sink about the time we get out in the middle of the river? I can swim like an eel, so there'll be no fear about my getting the girl ashore all right. When she recovers she will think I am the greatest hero that ever lived, and I wouldn't be surprised if we got married on the way home. Isn't it a jim-dandy of a scheme?"

"There ain't nuthin th' matter with th' scheme, young feller," replied the boatman, "an' I'd go into it if I was sure there was nuthin' th' matter with you, but I got kotched on a book like that onct an' I aint bitin' at th' same bait th' second time."

"How's that," inquired the young man. "It was this way, see?" Some years ago a feller like you brought a gal up here an' give me th' same song and dance. I bit like a sucker. Well, blame me, when th' boat sank in th' middle o' th' crick if th' feller didn't swim ashore an' leave th' gal go to th' bottom."

"Couldn't he save her?" asked the would-be hero. "Didn't wanter," sneered the boatman, "That gal was his wife, an' th' boat racket was cheaper than a divorce. It was a close shave fer th' pair o' us, an' I come nigh hevin' th' Coroner's jury make a presentment that wud hev had me indicted. Now, young feller, you might be all right, but I ain't takin' no chances." 282





"Bridget, why don't you light the gas in the Sure, mum, the only matches I could find wuz

parlor matches."

Properly Described. TED-Yes; quite fetching.



GALLANTRY IN BLACKVILLE.



"I'll jest get into dat hammock an' do de contemplation act."

Resented.

SURE SHOT SAM (proprietor of dance hall)-

CACTUS CHARLEY-What did he insinuate? SURE SHOT SAM-Asked me if we danced nothin' but square dances. I quickly convinced

the crowd that everything in my place is square.

Was He a New York Glant?

FIRST BASEBALL PLAYER-I am tired of

SECOND BASEBALL PLAYER-You'd muff

Food for Reflection.

REV. MR. LONGLIPP (anxiously)-How did

you like my substitute's sermon last Sunday,

DEACON BLUNTLEIGH-It was a treat.

this hard luck. I wish things would begin to

derfoot in yer place las' night.

come my way.

'em if they did.

Deacon?

Yep. I couldn't stand his insinuations.

CACTUS CHARLEY-I heerd you shot a ten-



"Aint dis fine!"



"Here's where I lay me down"



Made of Poor Timber. "Then the old block was a stick."



"Wal, if here aint Sally Softsoap coming. I'll

# Who So Brave as to Follow?

FLO-Do you know, I had the most unpleasant sort of an adventure to-day. A would-be masher followed me for blocks, and there wasn't a policeman anywhere in sight to appeal to. GLADYS-Dear me! How did you escape from

FLO-I went into the first dry goods store

where there was a bargain sale going on,

### Education.

"You graduated from the cooking school in a month. Pretty short time in which to learn so extensive an art, wasn't it?"

"Well, you know I was proficient in French be-

# All Decupied.

BROWNE-New York is full of skyscrapers

TOWNE-Yes; a poor man hasn't even room to

"I do not desire it."

exciamation of astonishment.

didn't quite understand."

the estate."

willing arms.

The last scion of an ancient race arose and flecked a few specks of dust from his knees.

Then he spoke, and his voice was strident with

"It is impossible for me to express the depth

of my regret at your decision," he said. "I love.

you sincerely. Often have I pictured your beau-

tiful face amid the ancient splendor of my castle

home, and many a night in my dreams I have

seen you pedaling gracefully along my magnifi-

The heiress interrupted his remarks with an

"Your-er-what?" she asked, nervously, "I

"My superb bicycle path," replied his lordship

A moment the beautiful girl stood in silent

wonder. Then, with an hysterical cry that

achieved a large circulation through the ambient

atmosphere and struck the noble tympanum of

this illustrious representative of a foreign aris-

tocracy with a sound like the chink of American

dollars, she threw herself unreservedly into his

proudly, "I recently had constructed through the



FRIEND-Where are you going this Summer ARTIST-To Kentucky. FRIEND-What are you going there for? build a castle in the air. ARTIST-To study still life.